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REQUEST FOR 3-MONTH EXTENSION OF TIME

Honorable Commissioner of Patents
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Sir:

Pursuant to 37 CFR § 1.136(a), applicant requests an automatic three-month extension of time to respond to the Office Action mailed July 2, 2009 in the above-referenced patent application. An extension fee of \$1110 (large entity) accompanies this request.

In addition to the extension fee (\$1110), a notice of appeal and appeal fee (\$540) also accompanies this request (total enclosed fee, \$1650).

Respectfully submitted,

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